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8th. As a concluding argument in favor of the theory that the dark parts are land and the brighter areas water, I take an observed terrestrial phenomenon.

About twenty-five miles to the northwest of Mt. Hamilton is the lower end of San Francisco bay. In fair weather the whole country from Mt. Hamilton to San Francisco, a distance of fifty miles, is plainly visible. Now at all hours of the day the surface of San Francisco Bay (as seen from the top of Mt. Hamilton) is much brighter than the neighboring valley and mountains at the same distance, although the line of sight makes an angle of more than 87° with the normal to the surface of the bay and the observer's position varies all the way from being nearly in a direct line between the bay and the sun to the position in which the sun is nearly in the direction of the bay.

The internal reflections in an atmosphere not perfectly transparent would tend to render an underlying water surface much brighter than a surface of land in the same position.

As stated above these views may be modified somewhat by the observations still to be made during the present year.

LICK OBSERVATORY, Sept. 3, 1892.

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OCCULTATION OF JUPITER AND HIS SATELLITES, SEPT. 8, 1892.

The observations recorded below were made with the 36-inch refractor using a power of 700 diameters. The seeing at the ingress of satellite I was very good, but the other observations were made under less favorable atmospheric conditions. The immersions occurred just before sunrise. The emersions were

not looked for as the phenomena took place in broad daylight with poor seeing.

Object.		Pacific Standard Times of Ingress. 1st Limb. 2d Limb.	
Satellite III.	Sept. 8.		7 ^h 17 ^m 24 ^s .5
Satellite IV.	_	17 29 38.2 B	lurred
Satellite I.		17 30 56.7	7 30 58.7
Jupiter		17 34 44 · I	7 36 22.5
Şatellite II.		17 45 4.2 I	7 45 6.7

As the bright disk of the moon gradually passed over the pale surface of *Jupiter* the spherical form of the latter was very conspicuously brought out. The belts appeared almost black by contrast. No distortions were observed.

Satellite I is elongated in the direction of Jupiter's equator.

Satellite III has a bright polar cap near the north point of its disk much resembling the polar cap as seen on *Mars* during June and July.

J. M. S.

DISCOVERY OF A FIFTH SATELLITE OF *JUPITER* BY PROFESSOR BARNARD.

The following telegram was sent on September 11.

(dated) LICK OBSERVATORY, Sept. 11, 1892.

The Lick Observatory desires to announce that Professor Barnard has added a fifth satellite to the four satellites of *Jupiter* discovered by Galileo on January 7, 1610. It was discovered by Barnard on September 9th. Its period is about 12^h 36^m.* Its distance from the planet's center is about 112,400 miles. It was observed by him at east elongation September 10, 20^h 53^m 21^s Greenwich mean time. Its magnitude is the thirteenth.

^{*} Later observations give the period as about 11 hours 50 minutes.